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Value on shore, \$300, house and servants,  
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Care of "CHINA MAIL" Office,  
Hongkong, November 30, 1901. 2448

### Intimations.

WILLIAM POWELL, LIMITED.  
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A N INTERIM Dividend on an account of  
the year 1901-1902, at the rate of  
Fifty Cents per Share (or Five per cent. on  
the Capital of the Company) will be payable  
at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank,  
Hongkong, and on and after the 6th JANUARY  
Next. Dividend Warrants will be posted  
to Shareholders.

The Register of Shares and Transfer  
Books will be Closed from SATURDAY,  
28th December, until MONDAY, 6th JANUARY,  
both days inclusive, during which period no  
Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors  
R. G. HECKFORD,  
Manager.

Hongkong, December 21, 1901. 2614

THE DAIRY FARM COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an  
EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL  
MEETING of the above-named Company  
will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No.  
2, Albert Road, Victoria, in the Colony of  
Hongkong on FRIDAY, the 10th day of  
January, 1902, at 4 p.m., when the sub-  
mitted resolution which was passed at the  
Extraordinary General Meeting held on  
the 13th December, 1901, will be submitted  
for confirmation as a special resolution.

That the figures in Article No. 16,  
Clause 15 of the Articles of Association of  
the Company, be altered to read \$1,500  
(Fifteen hundred dollars).

By order of the Board of Directors  
R. P. MOFFITT,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 24, 1901. 2649

### NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Share  
Certificates No. 561, for One Hundred  
Shares in WATKINS, Ltd., Nos. 1701-1800,  
and standing in the books of the Company  
in the name of Mrs. KATE L. GEMPERLE,  
have been LOST, and that unless the said  
Certificates is produced at the Office of the  
Company at No. 66, Queen's Road  
Central, on or before the 30th DAY OF  
JANUARY, 1902, the same will be considered  
Cancelled as from that date, and a New  
Certificate issued in lieu thereof.

### NOTICE.

GEO. A. WATKINS,  
CHAN A. FOOK,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, December 28, 1901. 2660

### NOTICE.

DURING REPAIRS to one of the  
WELLS, a full supply of Water to  
the KOWLOON PENINSULA cannot be  
Maintained. WATER will, however,  
TURNED ON from about 9 A.M. till  
Noon.

It is anticipated that the Repairs will be  
completed and the Full Supply resumed,  
within a few days.

The districts of Mongkok and Yau-  
mau are not included in the above Notice,  
as they are supplied from a separate  
source.

### NOTICE.

THE Undersigned carry in Stock an  
extensive line of CIGARS and  
CIGARETTES from the "GERMINAL"  
FACTORY of Manila, for which they are  
Sole Agents in Hongkong. Prices mod-  
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A trial solicited. Special Terms to Ex-  
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### NOTICE.

T. M. STEVENS & CO.,  
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Hongkong, August 2, 1901. 1607

## Business Notices.

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will be pleased to receive proposals for Insurance. A note or a Telephone Message from  
those wishing an "up-to-date" policy will receive immediate attention.

HECTOR W. SAMSON,  
HONGKONG HOTEL.

Hongkong, December 18, 1901. 2302

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ESTABLISHED OVER 30 YEARS.

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These are new, and carefully and strongly constructed by us, of the best materials only.

ESTIMATES ON APPLICATION. 2360

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TEAK MERCHANTS AND SAW MILLERS.

SIEMSEN & CO.,  
Sole Agents for Hongkong and South China. 1368

Hongkong, August 1, 1901.

NOTICE.

MEE CHEUNG,  
HIGH-CLASS PHOTOGRAPHER.

Developing and Printing for Amateurs,  
ENLARGEMENTS A SPECIAL FEATURE.

1587

J. MAGOWAN,  
Executor of the Estate of the late  
JAMES WHITFIELD.

Amoy, December 12, 1901. 2543

NOTICE.

SPECIAL HOME RETURN TICKETS.

FROM the 1st January, 1902, we will  
ISSUE SPECIAL HOME RETURN

TICKETS available for Two Years (from  
date of departure to date of arrival on  
return) for One and One-half Fare.

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Acting Agent,  
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Hongkong, December 24, 1901. 2641

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FRED. C. FOCHEN,  
General Agent  
Manila.

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Hongkong, August 31, 1901. 1828

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BOARD AND RÉSIDENCE

ALL SINGLE ROOMS.

SPLENDID TABLE.

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Hongkong, December 5, 1901. 2492

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ALL KINDS OF WORK DONE FOR AMATEURS.  
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M. R. L. A. GRACA receives Pupils for  
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GUITARRA.

For Terms, Etc.,  
Apply to THE STUDIO,  
"ELGIN VILLA,"  
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Hongkong, December 27, 1901. 2203

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W. STUART HARRISON,  
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Hongkong, September 16, 1901. 140

## ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE Attention of Advertisers is drawn  
to the Latest Hours for receiving  
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Alterations and additions to Advertis-  
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sent to this Office not later than 11 a.m. Now  
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BAIN & REID.  
CHINA MAIL Office, Dec. 1900.

## CHINESE SCHOOL BOOKS:

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5 ROOMS Bungalow "Rhodes," Bon-  
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LIAO TZE SAN,  
China Merchants Steam N. Co.,  
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Hongkong, November 30, 1901. 2449

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Hongkong, December 11, 1901. 2528

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4 ROOMED HOUSE in KOWLOON. Rent

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Complete inventory detail; value of Furniture

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**General Memoranda.**

WEDNESDAY, January 1.—  
Local Banks close.  
Insurance Offices close.  
Goods per *Lingding* undelivered after  
2 p.m. this date handed.  
8.30 p.m.—Boxing Match in City Hall.

THURSDAY, January 2.—  
Insurance Offices close.  
Local Banks close.  
Goods per *Lingding* not cleared at 10  
a.m. on this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, January 4.—  
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Chinese Curios,  
etc., at Mr Geo. P. Lammer's Sales  
Rooms.

MONDAY, January 6.—  
Interest Dividend of 50 Cents on Shares  
of Wm. Powell, Ltd., payable.

FRIDAY, January 10.—  
4 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The  
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd., at the Com-  
pany's Office.

TUESDAY, January 14.—  
Extraordinary General Meeting of China  
and Manila Steamship Company.

**THE BACK DOOR.**

The Series of Articles entitled 'THE  
BACK DOOR,' which appeared  
in the *China Mail*, have been reprinted,  
and may be obtained in Pamphlet Form  
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AND SMOKERS' REQUISITES,  
etc., etc.

**A. S. WATSON & Co. Limited,**

**THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,**

**BIRTHS.**  
On the 19th Dec., at 'Sionam,' Northam  
Road, Poing, the wife of CECIL A. LAW,  
of a Daughter.

At Upper-Norwood, St. Thomas's Walk,  
on 21st December, the wife of L. H. HESKETT,  
of a Daughter.

**DEATH.**  
On the 20th December, at Taikotktau,  
Capt. GEORGE FRANZ SALIPE, aged 65 years.

**The publication of this issue commenced  
at 5.20 p.m.**

**The China Mail.**

HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1901.

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**

**Ceylon Volunteers for Africa.**

A movement is on foot to send a second  
contingent of Ceylon Volunteers to South

Africa. About 100 men have already  
signified their willingness to serve with an

unmounted corps at the front.

**The Dallas Company.**

The Dallas Company, fifty strong,

was to leave Calcutta by a special train for

Bombay on the 10th inst. They were to

stop for two days at Allahabad, and arrive

in Bombay on the 17th and open on the

21st inst. Mr Dallas took fifty tons of

scenery and properties to Bombay.

**Accident to the French Mail.**

About 3 a.m. yesterday (says the *Singa-*

*poque Free Press* of the 21st Dec.), as the

homeward bound French mail steamer,

*Ville de la Ciotat* was passing Singapore

from Saigon, during a dense fog and a

strong gale of wind, she is alleged to have

run or been driven into a shoal, with the

result that two blades of her propeller were

broken and the remaining two were bent,

and she did not get alongside the wharf

before 11 a.m., although due at daylight.

Her propeller is being examined by divers.

The *Ville de la Ciotat* is 615 feet long and

the largest dock barge is 475 feet long.

**A Royal Apology.**

A rather amusing incident occurred to

a friend of mine some weeks ago (says *Free*

*Press*). He was walking down Pall Mall

one evening when suddenly a private

brougham stopped immediately in front of

him, and a rather stout gentleman alighted

hurriedly, but unfortunately in so doing

trod heavily on the tenderly-cherished corn

of my poor friend. An interjection quite

equal to the occasion, though far more for-

table than strictly polite, escaped the sufferer.

Judge, therefore, his horror on

looking up into the face of His Majesty the

King, who said, however, in his usual cordial

manner, 'Pardon me, the fault was en-

tirely mine.'

**The Peking Pawnshops.**

The Peking correspondent of the *N.-C.*

*Daily News* writes:—The Civil Governor

of Peking, Chen Pi, is trying to get the

pawn-shops to pay up some 200,000

taels of the Imperial revenue, which had

been deposited in some of them, and dur-

ing last year's troubles was stolen.

Considering the fact that all the pawn-shops

about 200—were looted, it is pretty hard

on them to be compelled to make up that

which was Imperial, when the Court

was accountable for all the trouble and all

the losses. Instead of the pawn-shops

recompensing the Empress Dowager, the

latter should compensate the pawn-shops.

All the pawn-shops have combined to

protest and resist, and say they will close

up before meeting this loss.

**Thanking the Gods.**

The following translation of an Imperial

Edict, issued at Yikou, Hsien, on the

19th inst., is taken from the *N.-C. Daily*

*News*.—A decree in the name of the Em-

press Dowager expressing gratitude to the

dragon and other river gods of the Yellow

River at Liuyuan who, when the Imperial

barges crossed over the river at Liuyuan on

the 14th instant, when the Court left

Kaifeng for Peking, vanquished evil weather

and a river 'as smooth as glass.'

The Empress Dowager, therefore, desires to

show her thankfulness to the river gods by

bestowing an extra honorific title on them

and hereby commands the Board of Rites

to determine the most appropriate title to

commemorate the occasion. To the boatmen

of the Imperial barges and others in

charge of the arrangements at the Yellow

River, the sum of Tls. 2,500 is ordered to

be distributed as a reward for their vigilance

and care.

**Police 'Smokers.'**

An admirably organised smoking con-

cert took place on Saturday evening in the

mess room of the Central Police Station, —

its only fault, and that was a good fault,

was that the premises were overcrowded.

Sergeant Garrod was an excellent chairman,

and was well supported by a super-abun-

dance of popular singers, among whom were

Staff-Sergeant Viggars, A.O.O., Sergeant

Ward, R.A.M.C., Sergeant Jardine,

R.M.A., Sergeant Simmers, R.E., Corporal

Marten, R.M.L.I., H.M.S.

## TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]  
SOUTH AFRICA.

A British Camp Rushed.

London, 17th December, 1901.  
Lord Kitchener, in a despatch from Johannesburg, states that General Rupprecht reports that on the 14th instant Colonel Finsen's camp at Tweefontein was successfully rushed by a considerable force of Boers under De Wet, and that it is feared our casualties are heavy. The column consisted of four companies, mounted, with two guns, and was guarding the head of the blockhouse line from Harrismith to Bethlehem. The Imperial Light Horse has gone in pursuit of the enemy.

## MARQUIS ITO'S TOUR.

Marquis Ito, accompanied by Baron Hayashi, Japanese Minister in London, was received at the Foreign Office, and subsequently presented to King Edward. He luncheons at the Mansion House on the 3rd January, and leaves Marseilles for Japan on the 12th January.

## WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

Signor Marconi is erecting a transatlantic wireless telegraphy station at Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia.

## [FROM MANILA EXCHANGES.]

## THE SCHLEY INQUIRY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.  
Lieutenant-General Nelson A. Miles has been officially reprimanded for utterances which he made endorsing Admiral Dewey's opinion in the Schley case.

The resignation of the historian Macay has been requested.

President Roosevelt is determined to stamp out the long continued controversy, and has rebuked Gen. Miles in person for his ill-timed remarks.

## U.S. CABINET CHANGES.

Washington, Dec. 21.  
The resignation of the Secretary of the Treasury, Lyman J. Gage, is now a certainty. His successor will be Governor W. Murray Crane, of Massachusetts.

Washington, Dec. 23.

Governor W. Murray Crane of Massachusetts has declined the offer of a cabinet position as successor to Gage. His figure very strongly in the Cabinet gossip as the most suitable man for the place.

Washington, Dec. 24.

The Portfolio of the Treasury has been offered Governor Shaw of Iowa. It is understood that he will accept.

## PHILIPPINES GOVERNMENT.

Washington, Dec. 21.

A plan of Government for the Philippines Islands has been sketched out, but Congress will not legislate until after Judge Taft has been heard from.

## [N.Y. DAILY NEWS SERVICE.]

## THE MANCHURIAN QUESTION.

PEKING, December 23.

I learn from a most reliable source that the following is the present position of the negotiations as to Manchuria, which were opened on Friday between the Peace Plenipotentiaries, Prince Ching and Wang Wan-shan, and the Russian Minister.

The Russian Minister said that there was no need for further discussion of the Convention, the terms of which had been already settled with Li Hung-chang, and he must insist that the Peace Plenipotentiaries should at once accept it as it stands.

They answered that they are not very well acquainted with the details of the previous negotiations, and as Li Hung-chang was dead, they did not feel bound to accept the Convention as it stands, but must demand the re-opening of negotiations. The matter could not be settled on the spot, and the conference was ended, the Plenipotentiaries promising to write to the Russian Minister, after they had re-considered the question.

Wang Wen-shan's desire is to abandon the terms arranged by Li Hung-chang, but he is afraid that China will be helpless if any disastrous consequences follow her rejection of the Convention, and he seems inclined, if no other course can be found, to yield to the Russian Minister's demands, with the modification of a few points which are most unfavourable to China.

NERVOUS LADY PASSENGER (to deck hand): 'Have you ever seen any worse weather than this, Mister Sailor?' Deck Hand: 'Take a word from an old salt, man; the weather's never very bad while there's any females on deck-making hempenines about it.'

BOATMAN (to visitor): 'How's business?' 'Why, there ain't no business since these blessed bicycles came into fashion. Why, they comes down here and takes our fresh air as we're celebrated for, and punys it into their bloomin' wheels, and takes it away with 'em.'

INFIDELITY IN THE BLOOD.—We have seen lots of letters from people who have received great benefit from the 'Great Blood Doctor.' It is not too highly estimated to say that he cures and cures the blood, from all infidelities! This is a good testimonial from the Family Doctor, which goes on further to say: 'It is the finest blood Purifier that science and skill have brought to light, and we can with the utmost confidence recommend it to our subscribers and the public generally.' For Scrofula, Scrofary, Eczema, Bad Legs, Skin and Blood Disease, Plague and Sores of all kinds, etc., etc., etc. The number of wondrous effects which have been effected by it. Clarke's Blood Purifier is sold everywhere, at 2s. 9d. per bottle. Beware of worthless imitations and substitutes.'

## SHELL STEAMER ASHORE.

## CRICKET.

## NAVY &amp; ARMY.

Information reached the Colony a few days ago to the effect that the small tank steamer *Petrie*, 334 tons gross, belonging to the Shell Transport and Trading Company had gone bodily ashore at Tung O Sands, westward of and near Bremer Point. The accident occurred on the 19th or 20th inst., and the steamer was on a voyage from Hongkong to Swatow with a cargo of bulk petroleum consigned to Messrs Bradley and Co. The crew were saved, and were probably taken on to Swatow by some of the coasting steamers. Assistance was sent from Swatow, and as no information has been received announcing the safety of the vessel it is feared she will become a total loss. The captain of the *Petrie* being sick when she sailed from Hongkong was left behind, and the steamer proceeded north under the chief officer. On news of the accident reaching Hongkong, the captain at once left for Tung O. The *Petrie* was built in 1884 at Renfrew by Messrs Leibnitz and Co., and is an iron twin-screw steamer with compound engines. Her port of registry is Singapore, and she was engaged in the local petroleum coasting trade, her Hongkong agents being Messrs Arnhold, Karberg and Co.

## CRICKET IN AUSTRALIA.

## The First Test Match.

London, December 13.—The first test match between United Australia and Mr MacLaren's English Eleven commenced yesterday at Sydney on a perfect wicket.

The Englishmen had the good fortune to win the toss, and scored 272 runs for six wickets. The captain, Mr McLaren, played an attractive innings of 116, and T. Hayward contributed a patient 69, in which he never gave a chance. W. G. Grace stonewalled persistently for 21 runs. Mr Gilbert Jessop made 24 runs uneventfully; Mr A. O. Jones scored only 9 runs, and J. T. Tyldesley 1 run. A. A. Lilley is not out with 22 runs.

The fielding of the Australian Eleven throughout the day has been good.

December 14.—The wicket in the big match at Sydney continued to keep in perfect condition. Lilley and Brund made a grand stand, both playing steady and attractive cricket. Finally they were out, Lilley for 84 runs and Brund for 68 runs. Then Gunn with 21, Barnes with 26 not out, and Blythe with 20, carried on the English score to 464 runs. The Australians went in and scored 103 runs for the loss of three wickets. Scores: —

## ENGLAND—1ST INNINGS.

Mr McLaren (Hants) ..... 116  
Hayward (Surrey) ..... 69  
Quisling (Warwick) ..... 21  
Mr Jessop (Gloucester) ..... 24  
Mr Jones (Notts) ..... 9  
Tyldesley (Lancashire) ..... 1  
Lilley (Warwick) ..... 84  
Brund (Somerset) ..... 58  
Gunn (Notts) ..... 21  
Barnes (Lancashire) not out ..... 26  
Blythe (Kent) ..... 20  
Extras ..... 15

## AUSTRALIA—1ST INNINGS.

Total (for three wickets) ..... 103

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## CATASTROPHE AT GOA.

## Seventy-five Lives Lost.

Bombay, December 9.—The launch *Gov*, which sank at Goa at the end of last week, has been raised. Seventy-five dead bodies were recovered. The disaster is alleged to have been due to overloading.

A Panjin correspondent writes to the *Advocate of India*, under date December 3rd:—

A very terrible disaster occurred here to-day on the river Mandore, which ended in the loss of over a hundred lives. The steam-launch, which plies between Verem, Belim, and Panjin, and vice versa, left the pier of Verem a little before 7 a.m., with about 200 passengers on board, many having been kept back for want of room. The number was unusually large, owing to the day being the feast day of the patron saint of Goa, St. Francis Xavier, and devotees from different parts proceeding to Verem to offer up prayers at the shrine of the saint in the convent of Bon Jesus. About ten minutes after the steam-launch had weighed anchor, it sank in the river just in front of the Lyceu National. As may easily be imagined, the vessel was tremendous.

The boat was in great demand on that day, there was not a single available to render the sufferers a helping hand. The sunburst Mandore was anchored about half a mile off the scene of the disaster, and although the boats from this vessel were lowered as speedily as possible, they could only pick up about thirty people, and no fewer than sixteen of these died in hospital. The latter were from among the deck passengers. It is believed all the first-class passengers perished.

At the time of writing this, the exact number on board has not been ascertained, but it exceeded 150, of whom only fourteen survived.

Almost all the passengers were pilgrims to the shrine of St. Xavier, consisting of sons, daughters, fathers, mothers and old women, and it is believed the catastrophe has extinguished whole families.

The passengers were chiefly from Verem, Pernem, Saligao, Calangute, Anjuna, Assagao, Sotilim, Mapusa, Candolim, Nerul, and Pernem.

The launch is lying at the place where it sank, and the dead bodies have not yet been recovered. Some people of the neighbouring villages, having got news of the catastrophe, have arrived here and their stories of despair in the event of the vessel being irretrievable. A large crowd from other villages is expected in the course of to-morrow in search of their friends. One can scarcely conceive that a disaster of so great a magnitude could ever have occurred only about fifty yards from the shore and in full view of the town.

The press is clamouring for a thorough inspection of the *Gov* steam launch, which on more than one occasion escaped through fortuitous circumstances similar disasters, but for some reason or other no good has resulted from the agitation. The disaster at Durbar, which happened to another steam-launch just near the pier, some eight or nine years ago, and which caused the loss of three lives, raised a hue and cry in the country at the time. An enquiry was started, but no one as yet knows the result.

A Frenchman went up to a British officer, and requested his permission to examine his Waterloo medal. 'Humph!' said he, turning it over and with an air of contempt. 'A paltry affair; it didn't cost your nation above a few francs.' 'True,' replied the officer, 'but if cost yours a Napoleon.'

Ring off, Please.

A CERTAIN wise man took this way to give his wife an idea of how much £200 is. She had no idea of money. Her purchases were enormous. It happened one day that her eye fell upon a magnifying ring, and she coveted it. It cost £20. But what was £200 to her in comparison with the ring? Of course, her husband consented to the purchase. What else could a dutiful and obedient husband do? But he tried this method of educating his wife concerning the great price of the ring. He increased his bulk to send her the £200 in small pieces—pennies, sixpences, and shillings. 'In come the money, bright and bejigal. She never had such an idea of £200 before. When the money was piled before her, it alarmed her; the price of the ring went up a hundredfold, and was considered at once an extravagance, which she of her own option abandoned.'

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## CRICKET.

## NAVY &amp; ARMY.

Team representing the above services met on the Cricket Ground on Saturday. The result was a victory for the Navy by 43 runs. Scores: —

## NAVY.

Digby, a coolie, b Preedy ..... 1  
Moore, b Preedy ..... 10  
Reiner, b Frank ..... 10  
Franklin, b Frank ..... 67  
Wood, b Preedy ..... 18  
Cornabro, a Farnham, b Waymouth ..... 18  
Mahon, b. b Preedy ..... 0  
McKinley, a Battashaw, b Preedy ..... 10  
Harrison, not out ..... 9  
Broadbent, run out ..... 10  
Extras ..... 10

## Total.

204  
THE ARMY.

Franks, a coolie, b Preedy ..... 1  
Moore, b Preedy ..... 10  
Reiner, b Frank ..... 10  
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Capt. Waymouth, b Mahon ..... 1  
Lt. France-Hayhurst, b Wood, b Remond ..... 26  
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Capt. Radcliffe, McKinley ..... 26  
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Capt. Chapman, b Franklin ..... 0  
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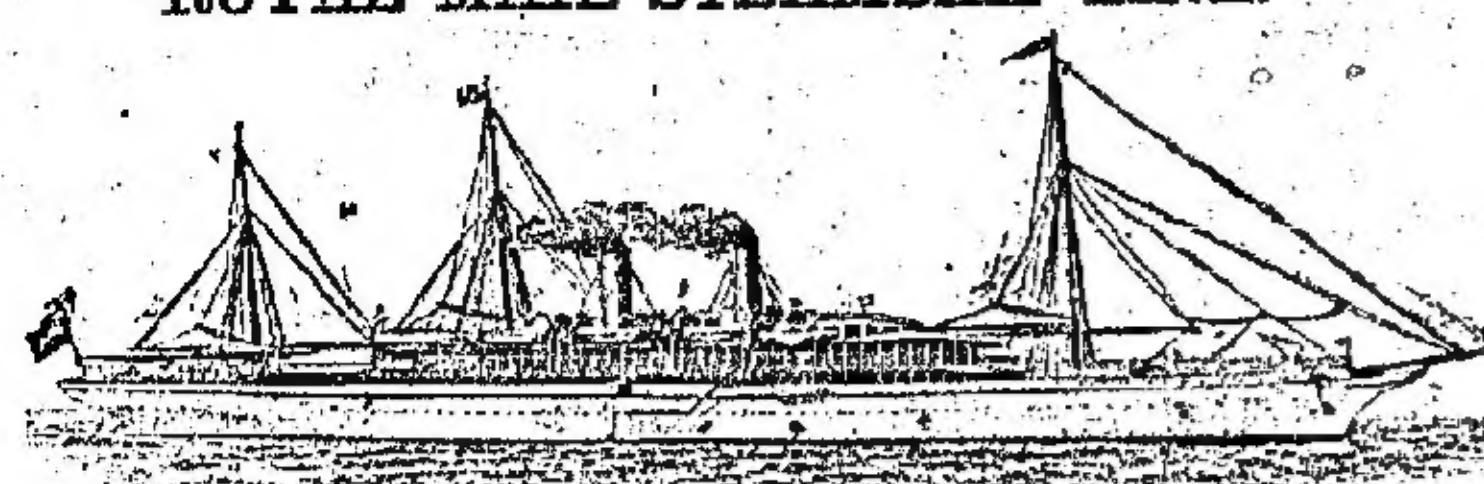
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